HOUSE BILL 1806

By Doss

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 21 and Title 55, Chapter 4, relative to fees for disabled parking placards and plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-103(a)(2), is amended by deleting the following language:

shall be provided free to those disabled persons who are permanently and totally confined to a wheelchair, when so certified by a physician's statement.

and by substituting instead the following language:

shall be provided free to those disabled persons who are permanently and totally confined to a wheelchair, when so certified by a physician's statement, or who are sixty-five (65) years of age or older.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-103(b)(2), is amended by adding the following new subdivision:

(D) Any person sixty-five (65) years of age or older who applies and qualifies for issuance or reissuance of a permanent or temporary placard shall be provided the placard without charge.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-103(f)(1), is amended by deleting the following language:

provided, that there shall be no renewal fee for a person permanently confined to a wheelchair, as defined in subdivision (b)(2)(B)(ii), nor to a disabled veteran, as defined in § 55-4-237(a)(3) or (b).

and by substituting instead the following language:

provided, that there shall be no renewal fee for a person permanently confined to a wheelchair, as defined in subdivision (b)(2)(B)(ii), a disabled veteran, as defined in § 55-4-237(a)(3) or (b), nor a disabled driver or disabled passenger who is sixty-five (65) years of age or older.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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